

BARAD-DUR 27

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There were order mistakes in 2 games last time. In C game a vital English move was omitted accidentally (it was corrected via mail. Thus, England, a RHUR TO KIEL succeeded, supported by F Holland. Russ. A Kial was eliminated. In E game Dygart should have been directed to retreat and was not. I have a retreat anyway. Miller submitted conditional moves depending on the retreat. In this case that was the proper thing to do, since no player may be penalized for gamesmaster error.

I have now had 3 players ask if I will attend the 24th World SF Convention in Cleveland this Labor Day, the Tricon. I am the chairman of the BALTIMORE IN 1967 bidding committee. I will, of course, be at Tricon, and will appreciate your vote for BALTIMORE at the business meeting. I will arrive late, however, unless the airline strike is settled. Indeed, if it's not settled I may arrive early Sat. morning. However, committeemen & Diplomacy players Bounds and Owings will be there from the start.

The final total on the Levinson proposal in XF came to 4-4-1 which should gnash some teeth. It still failed.

Jerry Jacks has a novel way to beat the air strike from LA. He's phoned in every move he's ordered. Last time was a doozy -- he got me at work in Johns Hopkins computer center, even though the switchboard was closed down. How? How?

Chalker wins for a year, by the way. I have received word from my draft board that my government considers me "essential to the proper maintenance of national health and welfare," at least until midsummer of 1967. Barring a state of national emergency, the thing is renewable, although they caught a Balticon Committeeman, Bill Osten, and he's now in basic. Some of us are critical to your country and some ain't.

Schultz submitted conditional builds for XF. Dick, the way it works is, every fall you can submit 3 builds if you like. Build 1 and I take the first ordered build on your list. Build 2 and I take the first 2 ordered builds on your list, etc.

XF maps are available at 10/25¢. I do not sell regular 7-man maps.

With the air strike still on (and a pox on the AFM) all copies continue 1st class.

I received the IDF constitution for ratification last week, and it was worse than I feared. They propose to standardize all rules (thus, to my mind, halting its evolution), make rating systems (but to no end!), and inaugurate games (a process which Don Miller in DIPLOMANIA aptly pointed out could bankrupt the IDF for years to come. I am opposed to the IDF because it offers to kill or restrict the game -- and wants to charge you for the honor. BARAD-DUR will never join such a proposal, although I hope to remain on good terms with individual gamesmasters and 'zines, IDF & not.

Next issue, the BUILD/REMOVAL issue, I hope to have a revised and completely correct XF center/province/water-body roster to accurately match the map. In the meantime, remember that XF runs along Games Research's 7-man rules, so take care how you move!

There are 47 supply centers; 28 home centers, 18 open neutrals, and 1 armed neutral. 24 units at the end of a winter move are necessary to win.

Here's a list of supply centers only. Anything listed here is NOT a supply center. In all cases the MAP is the correct source:

SUPPLY CENTERS: Ireland, EDINBURGH, LIVERPOOL, LONDON, Malmo STOCKHOLM, CHRISTIANA, OSLO, Finland, St. Petersburg, MOSCOW, RIGA, WARSAW, SEVASTOPOL, Silesia, BERLIN, KIEL, MUNICH, Holland, Belgium, BREST, PARIS, MARSEILLES, Spain, Portugal, Switzerland (armed), Corsica, Sardinia, MOROCCO, TUNIS, TRIPOLI, Crete, ROME, VENICE, NAPLES, Montenegro, VIENNA, TRIESTE, BUDAPEST, Serbia, Rumania, Bulgaria, Greece, CONSTANT, ANKARA, SMYRNA, Persia (47).

GB-1965-B
FALL, 1909 MOVE ORDERS



MOVES IN UPPER CASE SUCCEED
moves in lower case do not

F YORKS DEMOBILIZED & REBUILT IN ITALY; EVERYBODY IS AF-
TER DENMARK! A TUNIS INVADES SYRIA! PITCHED BATTLE IN
CLYDE! GAME IS INSANE!

GB-1966-E
FALL, 1905 ORDERS



MOVES IN UPPER CASE SUCCEED
moves in lower case do not.

TURKEY ATTACKS EVERYBODY & BUILDS 3 AGAIN!

RUSSIA.....a Prussia to warsaw
(Dygert) A MOSC (S) prus-wars.

AUSTRIA.....A PIEDMONT STANDS
(Miller) A TYROLIA TO MUNICH
A VENICE TO TYROLIA
A DUDAPEST TO GALICIA
f w.med to mid-atl.
A WARSAW STANDS
a munich to berlin
a berlin to prussia

TURKEY.....A UKR. (S) R A MOSC.
(Von Metzke) A SEVAST (S) R A MOSC.
A RUMANIA TO SERBIA
F AEGEAN TO GREECE
F E. MED TO IONIAN
F TYRRHENIAN TO ROME
F NORTH AFR. TO TUNIS
F BLACK SEA STANDS

ENGLAND.....A St.pete to moscow
(Huff) A LIV (S) stpe-mosc
f clyde to north atl
F KIEL (S) F HOLLAND
f holl (a) F KIEL
F NORTH SEA TO ENGCHAN
F WALES (S) NORTH-ENGCHAN
A LONDON STANDS

FRANCE.....a belgium to holland
(Owings) A RHU# (S) bel-holl.
a picardy to belgium
f engchan to north sea
f mid-atl to north atl
A BURGUNDY STANDS
F MARSEILLES STANDS

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French F English Channel is dislodged &
must retreat to BREST, only open uncontest-
ed bordering area.

BUILD DIRECTIONS: RUSSIA: REMOVE ONE ENGLAND: BUILD ONE
AUSTRIA: REMOVE ONE FRANCE: REMOVE ONE
TURKEY: BUILD THREE

DEADLINE FOR WINTER, 1905 BUILDS AND REMOVALS IS SAT., AUGUST 27, 1966, 6 PM EDT.

PROPAGANDA

London, Oct. 6, 1905: Sir Alfred Huffley made his first public appearance in nearly a year as he spoke from the window at Number 11 Downing Street (#10 being burned by the French invaders). He said that France shall soon fall before English seapower and pay the price of folly (which is £5/10/3d.)

Oslo, Oct. 8: Sir Alfred Huffley received his third Nobel Peace Brice today.

GB-1966-XF
FALL, 1901 MOVE ORDERS

XF

MOVES IN UPPER CASE SUCCEED
moves in lower case do not

ENGLAND.....F IRISH TO IRELAND (Mebane) A LIVERPOOL TO EDINB. f eng.chan to mid-atl	AUSTRIA.....A VIENNA TO BUDAPEST (Thomson) A BUDAPEST TO SERBIA F TRIESTE TO MONTENEGRO
BARBARY COAST....F W.MED (C)TUN-SARD. (Reinsel) A TUNIS TO SARDINIA f morocco to mid-atl	SCANDINAVIA.....A UMEA TO FINLAND (Levinson) F NORWEGIAN TO ICELAND F MALMO TO THE BALTIC
GERMANY.....a munich to silesia (Schultz) A HOLLAND TO BELGIUM A RHUR (S) HOLL-BELG.	TURKEY.....A SALKONIA TO BULGARIA (Huff) F AEGEAN TO CRETE A ARMENIA TO PERSIA
FRANCE.....F BREST TO MID-ATL (Jacks) F SPAIN (S) BRE-MIDATL a burg. to belgium	RUSSIA.....A RUM (S) turk.sal-serbi. (Brooks) a galicia to silesia A ukraine to galicia F ST. PETE (SC) (S) Scan UMER-FINLAND
ITALY.....A VENICE TO APULIA (Gemignani) A ROME TO TUSCANY F TYRRHENIAN TO CORS.	=====

===== There are no retreats. A complete unit/
center roster next time, as is usual. All players must write out builds (unless they
have already been submitted) even if the build seems obvious or inevitable. Dick
Schultz and Ken Levinson seem to have forgotten that, in Diplomacy, possession may be
made only on a fall move. As such, they do not build for Holland or Malmo. Here are
your build directions:

ENGLAND: BUILD <u>ONE</u>	ITALY.:BUILD <u>ONE</u>
BARBARY: BUILD <u>ONE</u>	AUSTRIA:BUILD <u>TWO</u>
GERMANY: BUILD <u>ONE</u>	SCANDIN:BUILD <u>ONE</u>
FRANCE.: BUILD <u>ONE</u>	RUSSIA.:BUILD <u>TWO</u>
TURKEY: BUILD <u>THREE</u>	

Holland, Malmo, Greece, Portugal, Silesia, and Switzerland remain unowned centers
WINTER, 1901 BUILD ORDERS ARE DUE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 1966, BY 6 PM E.D.T.

PROPAGANDA

Versailles: His Most Imperial Majesty has wisely decided to accept the offer
of the English for a Northern Pax and wishes more discussion upon that (and other)
topics.

Ankara, Oct. 3: In the Grand Palace the Sultan Hufasha Allad was in a quandry.
"Let's see, we're at peace with Russia and Austria, and have settled the differences
with the Almohades. What shall we do?" The royal engineer, an Italian named Bonu-
varte, suggested tunneling under the continent and attacking France.

Malmo, Jan. 5 (Kalmar Avisen): King Kenneth and recently-elect Prime Minister
Georg Gusterson presided at the dedication of the new Thingus and the royal palace
here today. The Thing has voted to pay half the cost of moving the foreign embassy
staffs to Kalmar.

Italy to Barbary Coast: You bought time for the last time.

Italy to Kalmar: We wish you luck.

RUSSIA TO ALL NATIONS: We have concluded an alliance with the GREAT WHITE FATH-
ER across the waters. It would behoove you to treat us peacefully and honorably.

Moscow (confidential to Krupp Ironworks): Would you be willing to accept mint
"All the Way with LBJ" buttons for the last batch of cannon, iron horses, & missiles?

London: Foreign Minister Sir Lyon Gandolphus Grey announced the peaceful incor-
poration of Ireland into the United Kingdom; he stated that Irish matters would
henceforward be the responsibility of the home secretary. At Windsor, His Majesty the
King elevated Prime Minister Mebane to the Order of the Garter. The Investiture Cere-
mony was held in Windsor Chapel after an all-night champagne party. Informed sources
denied the rumour that the Garter presented to Sir Banks had once been the property
of the notorious diva, Irene Adler /Remember, Irene, Montenegro's on the board!JLC/

STILL MORE XF PROPAGANDA

Paris: The Minister of State for Foreign Affairs has announced a call for a peace conference to be held in Paris over the first Monday in September; all Western Powers are scheduled to attend.

Orly Farm, southwest of METZ (AP): From this height the entire panorama of the French drive for Metz is visible. A mile to the southeast lies the spearpoint of the drive up the Seille Valley, lying in the cluster of Frayelle fme and the railroad bridge. To the west lies the Valley of the Shadow of Death, otherwise known officially as the Cut of the Gravelotte, a heavily wooded, very steep vale which has stopped the French drive dead. A cloud of flies and birds hang over the smoky valley, drawn there by the some 75,000 Frenchmen cut down by the interlocking fire of the German pillboxes, howitzer bunkers, and tunnels cut through the valley sides in preparation for the day when the French would come back. To the southeast the valley of the Seille is a smoking ruin, one shell after another ranging the French salient constantly by day, flares interspersed over the Vale of Tears by night. Fire from almost a thousand pieces of artillery range in on the mangled terrain below, in perfect view of the Germans and their green-painted observation turrets and bunkers in the high slopes of the Bois de Vezon to the south and the Bois de l'Hopital to the east of the Seille....General Falkayn boasted that there are almost 3000 bunkers, pillboxes, and reinforced concrete artillery embrasures facing the French salient of Seille, making it into the greatest deathtrap conceived since ancient times. He boasted that the French are losing 5000 men a day in the Salient and another 3000 a day before the Bois de Vexon and the Bois de l'Hopital. The French claim to have driven three and a half miles deep into German territory at the point of the Salient in the last 5 months....